

## NEST 2026 Cutoff

### NEST 2026 Expected Cutoff

Candidates can check here **NEST cutoff 2026** for various categories. These are the expected cutoff marks and will vary for each category. We have considered previous year cutoff trends to prepare the **NEST expected cutoff marks**.

Category	NISER	CEBS
GEN	95+	98+
OBC	80+	90+
SC	55+	65+
ST	45+	50+
JK	85+	90+

### Section-Wise Minimum Admissible Score (SMAS) for NEST

In the NEST question paper, there are 4 sections, and each section has 20 questions. For every section, a minimum admissible score will be decided. This score will vary for all sections. Candidates will have to score above the minimum admissible score in each section. The authority will consider the score of the best three sections.

### Minimum Admissible Percentile (MAP) for NEST

To be considered in the NEST merit list, candidates will have to score equal or above the minimum admissible percentile (MAP). This percentile score will vary for each category. Candidates can check the MAP for NEST 2026 below.

Category	MAP for NEST 2026
GEN	95 percentile
OBC	90 percentile
SC/ST/Divyangjan	75 percentile

### NEST 2026 Marks vs Rank (Expected)

Candidates can check the **NEST marks vs rank** to know the probable rank based on marks obtained in the exam. Knowing marks vs rank, students can know the chance of

getting admission in their preferred institute. They will have to obtain 155+ marks for a higher rank. Here we have provided the NEST 2026 expected marks vs rank.

#### NEST 2026 marks vs rank for GEN category

Marks	Rank
180-160	1-10
160-140	1-50
140-120	51-100
120-100	101-200
100-90	201-350
90-80	351-550

#### NEST Marks Vs Rank: OBC Category

Students belonging to the OBC category can check the expected NEST rank vs marks here.

Marks	Rank
150-130	1-10
130-110	11-50
110-100	51-100
100-90	101-200
90-80	201-350
80-70	351-550

#### NEST 2026 Marks vs Ranks: SC Category

Students can check the NEST marks vs rank for sc category here. This expected marks vs rank.

Marks	Rank
140-95	1-10

95-65	11-50
65-55	51-100
55-40	101-200
40-35	201-350

### NEST 2026 Marks vs Ranks: ST Category

The expected marks vs rank for CUET PG ST category is provided below.

Marks	Rank
120-80	1-10
80-65	11-50

### Factors Affecting NEST 2026 Marks vs Ranks

While preparing the NISER marks vs rank, the authority considers various factors. Some of them are listed below.

- Number of Students appeared for the NEST exam.
- Number of students who qualified in the exam.
- Total number of seats.
- Past year trends.